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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of the above-captioned application, please amend this application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification, as follows:

Add two section headings, a section subheading, and a paragraph immediately after the title TYRE FOR VEHICLE WHEELS, as follows:

**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is a national stage entry under 35 U.S.C. § 371 from International Application No. PCT/EP00/11898, filed November 29, 2000, in the European Patent Office;

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